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AGENTS FOR THE CHINA MAIL.

LONDON.—F. ALCAN, 11 & 12, Old Bond Street, E. C.; GORDON STREET & CO., 30, Cornhill; GORDON & GOTCH, Ludgate Circus, E.C.; HENRY & CO., 37, Walbrook, E.C.; SAMUEL DEAGAN & CO., 150 & 164, Leadenhall Street; PARIS AND EUROPE.—GALLIEN & PRINCE, 36, Rue Lafayette, Paris; NEW YORK.—ANDREW WIND, 21, Park Row; AUSTRALIA, TASMANIA, AND NEW ZEALAND.—GORDON & GOTCH, Melbourne and Sydney; SAN FRANCISCO AND AMERICAN PORTS GENERALLY.—BAIN & BLACK, San Francisco; SINGAPORE, STRAITS, &c.—SAYLE & CO., Square, Singapore; O. HINNEMAN & CO., Manila; CHINA.—MACEO, MESSRS. A. A. DE MELO & CO., Seaview, Quilon & Co.; AMORY, WILSONS, NICHOLLS & CO., Fochow; HEDGE & CO., Shanghai; LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., and KELLY & WADDE, Yokohama; LANE, CRAWFORD & CO., Hongkong, January 5, 1884.

Bank.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
PAID-UP CAPITAL, £5,000,000.
INSTANTMENT RECEIVED, £2,765,02
NEW SHARES, £5,928,765,02
RESERVE FUND, £2,500,000.
INSTANTMENT OF PREMIUMS RECEIVED ON NEW SHARES, £38,336,43
£3,108,336,43

COURT OF DIRECTORS,
Chairman—W. REINERS, Esq.
Deputy Chairman—W. S. YOUNG, Esq.
E. L.—DALEYVILLE, A. P. MCEWEN, Esq.
E. MCIVER, Esq.
W. H. FORBES, Esq.
F. D. SASDON, Esq.
A. GILLIGAN, Esq.
H. F. B. JOHNSON.

CHIEF MANAGER,
Hongkong.—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER,
Shanghai,...EWIN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS.—London and County Bank.

HONGKONG.
INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON Current Deposit Account at the rate
of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily
balance.
For Fixed Deposits—
For 3 months, 3 per cent. per annum.
" 6 " 4 per cent. " "
" 12 " 5 per cent. " "

LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
Credits granted on approved Securities,
and every description of Banking and
Exchange business transacted.
Drafts granted, on London, and the
chief Commercial places in Europe, India,
Australia, America, China and Japan.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Office of the Corporation,
No. 1, Queen's Road East.
Hongkong, August 25, 1883.

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

WE HAVE This Day ESTABLISHED a
BRANCH of our Firm in Tamsui,
Formosa. M. WILFRID CHRISTY is
authorized to Sign, on our behalf, for Pro-
curement.

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,
Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day admitted Mr. J. B.
ELIAS a PARTNER in my Business.
It will hereafter be conducted under the
Style of "BELLIOS & CO."
E. R. BELLIOS.
Hongkong, January 2, 1884.

NOTICE.

M. R. GERALD SLADE and Mr. ALEX-
ANDER McCANNACHE are autho-
rized to Sign our Firm from this date.

GILMAN & CO.
Hongkong and Foochow,
1st January, 1884.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. HERMANN FRIEDRICH MEYERINK, in our Firm, CEASED on the
1st January, 1883.

Mr. JOHANN HINRICH GARRELS is
admitted a PARTNER from this date.

MEYER & CO.
Hongkong, January 1, 1884.

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. MAX GROTE, MR. CARL JANTZEN and Mr. STEPHAN O. MICHAELSEN, who have been signing the Firm,
are admitted PARTNERS from this date.

MR. J. GOOSMAN is authorized to
Sign our Firm per Procuratio.

NOTICE.

MILCHERS & CO.,
ENGINEERS, BOILER MAKERS,
COPPER SMITHS, BRASS & IRON
FOUNDERS, &c.

WEST POINT IRON WORKS.

HAVING This Day commenced Busi-
ness, are ready to undertake Work of
the above Descriptions under the Super-
vision of an EXPERIENCED EUROPEAN.

Orders executed with the utmost despatch
and at moderate terms.

24th September, 1883.

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Intimations.

THE PATENT.

"FILTRE RAPIDE"
REMOVES ALL
Organic and Inorganic Impurities, Lead,
Copper, and Poisonous Gases.

It creates the Water.
It can be taken to pieces and cleaned in
every part.

It HAS BEEN AWARDED
Special Medal of Merit by the Sanitary
Institute of Great Britain;

Silver Medal National Water Supply Ex-
hibition, London;

Two Silver Medals International Food
Exhibition, London;

Two Certificates of Merit by Sanitary
Institute, Exeter;

Certificate of Merit International Medical
and Sanitary Exhibition, Kensington;

Silver Medal Health Congress and Scientific
Exhibition, Brighton.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 5, 1884.

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SEE WOO,

TAILOR, DRAPER & OUTFITTER,
No. 55, Queen's Road Central,
Has just Received by French Mail,

CHRISTY'S BLACK, BROWN AND

DRAB FELT HATS, AND

TWEED HATS,
(of all shapes)

All Kind of PERFUMES and TOILET
SOAPS.

All Sorts of GENTLEMEN'S WINTER
CLOTHING, &c., &c.

DAWSON & SONS'

GENTLEMEN'S BOOTS AND SHOES.

Hongkong, December 3, 1883.

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NORTH BORNEO.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

A SALE of LAND will take place at
SANDAKAN, NORTH BORNEO, on an
early date in 1884, date of such Sale to
be announced on the arrival of the FIRST
DIRECT STEAMER from North Borneo in
January 1884. Conditions of Sale and
Agreement with Purchasers can be seen at
the BRITISH NORTH BORNEO COMPANY'S
AGENCY, Hongkong.

PARTICULARS OF LAND.

	Loc.	No.	Surface.	Size.	Rent.	Epmt. Price.
KIPIORA...	65/70	Sea	33 ft. by	60 per	100/-	per Lot
		2nd	65 ft.	per annum	50/-	per Lot

TOWN Lots 114/150 2nd. 65 ft. per annum

NOTICE.

HENRY WALKER,
Acting Commissioner of Lands.

LAND OFFICE,
Elphinstone, North Borneo,

27th December, 1883.

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NOTICE.

THE Undersigned will NOT be RE-
SPONSIBLE for ANY DEBTS con-
tracted by a YOUNG MAN who goes by the
Name of JOHN DREWES.

GEORGE HERMANN DREWES,
late Master of S.S. "Peking."

Hongkong, January 9, 1884.

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PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

QUARANTINE AT EGYPTIAN AND CONTINENTAL PORTS.

ARRANGEMENTS have been made for
passing the Company's Steamers
through the SUZ CANAL in QUARANTINE,
thus avoiding any detention in EGYPT.
The Homeward Mails are now being landed
at VENICE, but the QUARANTINE which is
still imposed at this and all other CONTIN-
ENTAL PORTS prevents the landing of Pass-
engers, those traveling by the Com-
pany's Steamers are advised to remain on board
the Vessel until calls at MARSAILLES en route—stopping a few hours only to discharge
Cargo, and proceed in her direct to LONDON, thus avoiding all QUARANTINE
delays and inconveniences.

The Passage of the Steamers will be
accelerated, and they will not call at MALTA or GIBRALTAR.

A. MCIVER,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, September 6, 1883.

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For Sale.

PERFUMERY.

ELECTRO-PLATED WARE.

CHOICE MANILA CIGARS.

CRYSTAL TABLE WARE.

NEW DINNER SERVICES.

TABLE DECORATIONS.

NEW DUPLEX LAMPS.

SLOW COMBUSTION GRATES.

FENDERS and TILE HEARTHES.

LOCKS, BOLTS and HINGES.

LAWN MOWERS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, January 3, 1884.

SAYLE & CO.'S
SHOW-ROOMS.
FOR CHRISTMAS.

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Intimations.

HONGKONG, CANTON, AND MACAO
STEAMBOAT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE Third Fifth Ordinary Half-Yearly
MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS
in the Company will be held at the Office
of the Company, No. 52, Queen's Road, on
TUESDAY, the 29th January instant, at
Three o'clock in the Afternoon, for the
purpose of receiving a Report of the
Directors, together with a Statement of
Accounts, declaring a Dividend, and electing
a Director and Auditor.

For Sale.

MacEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.
No. 33, Queen's Road East,
(OPPOSITE THE COMMISSIONERS),
ARE NOW LANDING
FROM AMERICA.
CALIFORNIA
BAKER COMPANY'S BISCUITS in 5 lb
tins, and loose.
Soda BISCUITS.
Assorted BISCUITS.

Small HOMINY.
Cracked WHEAT.
OATMEAL.
CORNMEAL.

TOPOGAN BUTTER.
Apple BUTTER.
Eastern and California CHEESE.
CODFISH, Boned.
Prime LAMS and BACON.
Eagle Brand Condensed MILK.
Family BEEF in 25 lb cans.
Beef and SALMON in 25 lb cans.
Cutting's Dessert FRUITS in 25 lb cans.
Assorted Canned VEGETABLES.
Potted SAUSAGE and Sausage
MINT.
Assorted PEPPERS.
Assorted SOUPS.
Richardson & Robbin's Celebrated Potted
MEATS.

Lamb's TONGUES.

Clam CHOWDER.

Fresh OREGON SALMON.

Dried APPLES.

TOMATOES.

SUCCHETT.

Maple SYRUP.

Golden JUICE.

LOBSTERS.

OYSTERS.

HONEY.

Assorted JELLIES.

Green CORN.

FAIRBANKS' SCALES.

400 lb. Capacity.

600 lb. "

900 lb. "

1,200 lb. "

CORN BROOMS.

OFFICE HIGH CHAIRS.

AXES and HATCHETS.

AGATE IRON WARE.

WAFFLE IRONS.

SMOOTHING IRONS.

PAINTS and OILS.

TALLOW and TAR.

VARNISHES.

DEVÖE'S NONPARIEL
BRILLIANT
KEROSENE OIL,
150° test.

Ex late Arrivals from
ENGLAND.

A LARGE ASSORTMENT OF
S. T. O. R. E. S.,
including:
CHRISTMAS CAKES.
PLUM PUDDINGS.
MINGEMEAT.
ALMONDS and RAISINS.

Crystallized FRUITS.
Tessouan's DESSERT FRUITS.
Pudding RAISINS.
Lanc. CURRANTS.

Fine YORK HAMS.

PICNIC TONGUES.

PATE DE FOIE GRAS.

SAVORY PATES.

FRENCH PLUMS.
BRAINS.
INFANTS' FOOD.
CORN FLOUR.

SPARTAN
COOKING STOVES.

HITCHCOCK HOUSE LAMP.

PERFECTION STUDENT LAMP.

CLARETS—
CHATEAU MARGAUX.
CHATEAU LA TOUR, pints & quarts.

1463. GRAVES.

BREAKFAST CLARET, "

SHERRIES & PORT—
SAUCONNE MANZANILLA & AMON.

TILLADO.

SAGONE'S OLD INVALID PORT
(1845).

HUNTY PORT.

BRANDY, WHISKY, LIQUEURS, &c.—
1 and 3-star HUNTER'S BRANDY.

BASSET DUBOUCH & CO.'S BRANDY.

FIRST OLD BOURBON WHISKY.

KINAHAN'S LL WHISKY.

ROYAL GLENDEE WHISKY.

BOBBY'S OLD TOM.

E. & J. BURKE'S IRISH WHISKY.

ROSE'S LIME JUICE CORDIAL.

NOLLY PHAT & CO.'S VERMOUTH.

CHABÈRE'S GINGER BRANDY.

EASTRICK CIDER.

CHARTRUSSE.

MARASCHINO.

CUBACAO.

ANGOSTURA, BOKER'S and ORANGE.

&c., &c., &c.

BASS'S ALE, bottled by CANNON and
SANDMAN, pints and quarts.

GUINNESS'S STOUT, bottled by E.
J. BURKE, pints and quarts.

DAUGHT'ALE and PORTER, by the
Gallon.

ALE and PORTER, in kegsheads.

SPECIALLY SELECTED

C I G A R S .

Fine New Season's CUMSHAW TEA, in
5 catty Boxes.

BREAKFAST CONGOU @ 25 cents p. lb.

MILNER'S PATENT FIREPROOF
SAFES, CASH and PAPER
BOXES, at Manufacturer's Prices.

Hongkong, December 1, 1883. 1043

Notices to Consignees.

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM GLASGOW, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

ANNOUNCEMENT EXTRAORDINARY.

THE Company's S.S. *Taiyuan* having ar-

rived from the above Ports, Consignees

of Cargo are hereby informed that their

Goods—with the exception of Orum—will

be loaded at their risk into the Godowns

of the Undersigned, whence and/or from

the Wharves or Boats delivery may be ob-

tained.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the

15th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATTHESON & Co.,

General Managers.

Hongkong, January 11, 1884. 81

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.

" C A S T E . "

DIAMANT PERSONNE.

HON. GEORGE ALMAY Mr. B. Kidman.

CAPTAIN HAWTHORN Mr. H. H. Haworth.

ECCLIES Mr. C. J. Barber.

SAM GERHIGE Mr. Novraham.

DIXON (Servant of Sethom)

ESTHER ELLIOTT Miss Minnie Nordt.

FOLLY ELLIOTT Victoria Loftus.

SYNOPSIS OF SCENERY.

Act 1st.—THE LITTLE HOUSE AT STANCASTE.

Act 2nd.—LODGING IN MAYFAIR.

Act 3rd.—THE LITTLE HOUSE AGAIN.

N.B.—The Comedy will be produced with

every attention to detail.—The London

Modes being faithfully followed for

Scenery and the Costumes copied from

those worn in the Original Production.

Instrumental Music under the direction of

PROF. WILLIAM BLAKENEY.

EX Djalma.

L. No. 11—case Hats, Order,

240 (in dia.) from London.

R. M. No. 913—case Wine, from Mar-

sella. I. MARTIN
Acting Agent.

Hongkong, January 9, 1884. 70

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

CONSIGNNEES of the following Cargo

are requested to send in their Bills of

Lading to the Undersigned for counter-

signature, and to take immediate delivery

of this Cargo has been landed and stored at

their risk and expense.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Box Planck Messrs. KELLY & WALSH,

where Seals may be secured.

J. ANTHONY BESSE, American barque, Capt. A.

NOYES—Melters & Co.

ANCHLEY, British steamer, Capt. F. G.

STRACHAN—Doughs Laurick & Co.

ANNETTIN, Italian barque, Captain F.

REPETTO—Melters & Co.

ANTIOCH, American barque, Capt. J. D.

WYNN—Order.

BONITE LUSSE, British barque, Capt. F.

CLARKE—Gilmor & Co.

CASSANDRA, German steamer, Captain H.

LINDENHALL—Siersen & Co.

DANUBE, British steamer, Captain J.

NEWTON—Yuen Fat Hong.

MOULIN, British barque, Capt. R.

NELLY MAY, American barque, Captain A.

ATLANTIC—Arnold, Karberg & Co.

SACRED, American ship, Captain J. W.

SMITH—P. & S. N. Co.

SELEMBIA, British steamer, Captain

P. Fowler—Russell & Co.

S. I. DEVOU, French barque, Captain J.

DUFOR—Carloville & Co.

WILHELM, German barque, Captain W.

Spiegelberg—Siersen & Co.

CAPORAL CIGARETTES.

A SUPPLY of the above in Good Order

has just been received.

A. S. WATSON & Co.,

Hongkong Dispensary.

Hongkong, January 2, 1884. 5

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS. JAN. 12, 1884.

Stocks Nos. of Shares Value Paid up Reserve Working Account Last Dividends per share Quotations Cash.

BANKS 125 8 125 \$1.43 52 118% = \$350

HK. & Shns. 100,000 125 8 125 \$2,509.62 52 118% = \$350

distance. In spite, however, of the gallant sports made by the *Tintle*, the *Shamrock* maintained her position and came in second-quarter behind the *Leek*, a length and a half time was taken. Mr E. Bent acted as Judge.

Leek	Tintle	Shamrock
Glass	Stewart	Fisher
Codd	Lockett	Dunison
Purcell	Brownlow	Addis
Denham	Phillips	Osborne
G. Caldwell	Sampson	Cox
Cox		

The steamer *Ping-yo*, Captain A. McCaslin, which arrived here from Hainan and Haiphong late yesterday evening, encountered dreadful weather on the night of the 7th instant, shortly after leaving Haiphong; and it will be seen from the following report that those on board were at one time in a most perilous position:—“Left Haiphong on the 7th January, at 12.30 p.m.; and discharged the pilot at 2 p.m. At 5.30 p.m. astern of East Norway Island, all sail, fore and aft, being set, and a light breeze blowing from the North. At 8.30 p.m., the wind had increased to a strong N.E. breeze, the sea rising fast. The wind continued to increase in strength, when, at 11.15 p.m., while the crew were engaged taking in the fore trysail, a very heavy squall struck the ship, tearing away the port main rigging and causing the mainmast to break off a foot above the dock, and fall overboard. The main trysail, main staysail and every thing connected went with the mast. The engines were stopped at once to prevent the wreckage fouling the propeller, while the officers and crew applied themselves to cutting and clearing away the mast and rigging. The stopping of the engines caused the steamer to fall into the trough of the sea, in which she rolled at a fearful rate, the danger of the position being increased by the spar striking the hull of the steamer under the bilge every roll she made. After more than an hour's hard work, got clear of the wreck and started the engines again. It was still blowing a gale, and there was a very heavy sea. Set double reefed fore trysail and fore staysail and spanker to steady the ship. Next morning the weather moderated and we arrived in Hoioho at 8.30 p.m. Left again on the 10th for Hongkong, where we arrived on the evening of the 11th, experiencing a fresh N.E. breeze between the two ports.”

Tenders are invited by the Straits Government for the maintenance of a fortnightly mail packet service between Singapore and Penang, and vice versa, calling at Malacca, for a period of three years, from the 1st May, 1884.

This *Choya Shindan* furnishes some interesting particulars of journalistic enterprise in Japan. During last year 299 papers were in existence, 127 having been commenced and 64 discontinued within that period. The gross circulation was 56,654,751 copies—an increase of 8,040,733; or 165,075 copies daily.

His Excellency the Viceroy Ho, has, we learn, lately given orders for 5,000 troops to be despatched from Wuhi, for the purpose of more fully protecting Foochow. With this view, the Arsenal steamer *Yung Pao* has been ordered to proceed to Wuhi directly after the completion of some necessary repairs and internal alterations for the better accommodation of the troops. It is also reported that some of the M.S.N. Co.'s steamers will soon bring down troops to Foochow from the former port, but we cannot vouch for the accuracy of the latter rumour. Foochow Herald.

A Chinese correspondent of *N.C. D. Neats* at Nanking writes under date of January 3d:—

I hear that a large number of troops will depart shortly from this for T'ai-wai for the purpose of garrisoning that place. In my former letter I mentioned that Captain F. Harvey R.N., had been engaged by the Commissioners of Coast Defence at Chiating to teach the marine torpedo practice, and that he would shortly start for the scene of his duties. I have now to record that that arrangement started to Chiating on the 1st inst., by the gunboat *Cloud Heron*. For the last number of years the Arsenals have manufactured immense quantities of torpedoes and submarine mines, all of which have been stored in the Ordnance storehouse. So great is the amount of these torpedoes that it seems impossible to know the exact number. H. E. Tao, however, ordered from Europe thirty odd new patterned torpedoes, the largest being capable of containing 1,000 lbs. of explosive matter. These and forty miles of submarine cables have also gone by the *Cloud Heron* to be used at Chiating under the superintendence of Capt. Harvey. From this we can observe the energy and zeal of H. E. Tao in the matter of the defence of the Southern Ports.

For extinguishing arrangements on the Bluff at Yokohama do not appear to be in a very effective state, if the following paragraph from the *Japan Gazette* accurately represents the state of affairs there:—

Scattered over the Bluff at convenient distances apart may be seen a number of large barrels with the initials “Y.F.B.” painted upon them. These cans have been so placed by the Yokohama Fire Brigade, and in view of the exceeding difficulty in procuring water in an emergency on the Bluff for the use of hand engines, their value will be considerable. The fire brigade having supplied the receptacles, this earnestly hoped that Bluff residents, for whose benefit they are intended, will keep them always full of water, a service of other trouble nor expense if performed by householders, but involving only the outlay of the brigade. And notwithstanding the number of houses and the large aggregate value of buildings and contents on the Bluff, and the other impedimenta of life, the fire brigade appears to be indispensable. This is a fact that when the fire brigade appeared for aid in the promotion of their good intentions to adopt some means for rendering the Bluff more secure, only two residents responded, and the minuscule sum of TEN DOLLARS was subscribed. Ten dollars won't go far; and the practical conclusion is that if the Bluff cannot be protected for that sum it may remain exposed as it is now!

DISTRIBUTION OF PRIZES AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

The annual distribution of prizes at St. Joseph's College, took place this afternoon. There was a large assemblage of visitors. Among those present were His Excellency the Governor—who distributed the prizes to Lady Bowen and the Misses Bowen; the Colonial Secretary and Mrs Marsh; General Sargent and the French Admiral. Bishop Rainaldi, in opening the proceedings, said:—

Your Excellency, Ladies and Gentlemen; the Directors and the pupils of St. Joseph's College gratefully greet you. We are coming among them the second time. Your Excellency, we come the first time to visit the College, and encourage the young ones to thorougly study the English language, and you will be happy to see the good result of your excellent speech on the importance of studying the English language. The speech I am glad to say, was reprinted from the local press into the leading Calcutta newspapers, in India, Europe and America. The words which fall from the representative of our gracious Queen are never uttered in vain when directed to our loyal Catholic youth. St. Joseph's College is conducted by the well known brothers of the Christian Schools who came to Hongkong in 1875 to take charge of our schools, which at that time were in Wellington Street, at St. Saviour's College, the present College being the third building for the education of our youth. It is a great relief to us to see that our school is in a highly distinguished educational body, which is in day, but one which has been successful for over two hundred years in the battle of English. We must think English first if we want to make English a great nation. Now when we consider that we are a British Colony and that the majority, if not all, of our pupils have been born in Hongkong and therefore are British subjects, and that they will get their livelihood principally from the result of the British trade, the study of the English language becomes of the highest importance. Moreover, as your Excellency said in your excellent speech, which you made here some months ago, and repeated again at St. Joseph's College the other day, the English language is the universal language of the world and one who knows English can understand in every part of the world he goes to. Therefore, the study of the English language must be the special feature, the essential constitution of the curriculum of St. Joseph's College. But on the other side, the Directors of St. Joseph's College do not exclude the study of other languages than English. Extra classes, notwithstanding the grant-in-aid scheme, afford opportunity to the boys to learn music, drama and languages, such as Portuguese, French, Chinese, and this year we intend to open a class for Latin. The Christian Brothers endeavoured to comply with all the possible wants of the boys' education and in gratifying, as far as possible, the different people's tastes which are so well described by an Italian poet:

“Diversi son i gusti di ogni appetito.”

A chi piace la torta e chi i pasticci.”

To give you a brief of the Christian Brothers' earnestness in meeting all possible wants of their scholars. In July last, six weeks ago, I came to the College and with round the different classes, when I saw a great number of little children, five or six years old, in the lowest classes, and on inquiring why they had been admitted so young into the College I was informed that these little men came strongly insisting upon their being admitted into the College with their few puny pupils, revised, can hardly cover a third of the expenses incurred by such a large College as St. Joseph's, and far from having a fund of one thousand sterling pounds, St. Joseph's College has not even on thousand each, say, I tell you, confidentially, it is, in debt. People cannot understand how we, being poor, can do so much, and imagine that this College is backed by a very rich and wealthy corporation. I am afraid they mistake the Corporation, as there is more than one Catholic Corporation in Hongkong and although they are all in matter of faith, each of them has the administration of temporal affairs quite independent of each other. But I will explain to you the mystery. We are rich in the sense that we are contented with what we have. We don't require any salary and all we ask from the Mission is fed, clothed and lodged. We have not any money to pay bills for. For instance, the Portuguese teacher attached to the College is ready to give extra lessons in Portuguese to any of the boys in the lower classes, and will know English, though he learnt with perfection from the European Jesuit Fathers, he is quite conversant with English, French and even Latin. Now it is to be supposed that these boys will remain two or three years in the lower classes, and will know English, enough when they shall pass into the fourth class to understand the lessons in English and to try their little composition in English. The Portuguese teacher attached to the College is ready to give extra lessons in Portuguese to any of the boys in the superior classes who should want to study it, not interfering however with the hours of the English school. The boys are kept in the classes not quite five hours last night. The scholars also performed a faro—*Cherry Boules*.

The following is the prize list:—

6TH CLASS.

A. Fonseca, 1st for Good Conduct, a Prayer Book, presented by His Lordship the Bishop.

J. Fonseca, 1st for Christian Doctrine, a Prayer Book, presented by Very Rev. Father Burghignoli.

G. Yezanovich, 1st for Reading, a Book, presented by Mr J. M. Fleming.

F. Marques, 1st for Spelling, a Prayer Book, presented by Mr F. Vincento.

C. Rocha, 1st for Arithmetic, a Prayer Book, presented by Mr F. Vincento.

V. Rocha, 1st for Regular Attendance, an Inkstand, presented by the Brothers.

A. Silva, 1st for Writing, a Gold Pencil case, presented by Mr E. R. Bellilio.

R. Lopes, 2nd for Orthography, a Gold Pencil case, presented by the Brothers.

J. Corval, 2nd for Good Conduct, a Diary, presented by Mr F. Vincento.

A. Siza, 2nd for Arithmetic, a Prayer Book, presented by Mr F. Stewart.

A. Alves, 2nd for Regular Attendance, a Gold Pencil case, presented by Mr J. G. Rocha.

R. Lopes, 2nd for Writing, a Prayer Book, presented by the Brothers.

J. Corval, 2nd for Orthography, a Gold Pencil case, presented by the Brothers.

A. Siza, 2nd for Good Conduct, a Diary, presented by Mr F. Vincento.

F. Marques, 3rd for Spelling, a Prayer Book, presented by Mr J. G. Rocha.

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